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IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract of the application, as transmitted by the International Bureau from the International Phase of the application, as follows:

An anode assembly $[(20)]$ for conducting electrical energy to an electrolytic smelting cell $[[comprising]]$ including an anode $[(C)]$ of high electrically conductive material connected to a yoke $[(21)]$, the ends of the yoke $[(21)]$ being receivable within anodes, $[[said]]$ the yoke $[[comprising]]$ including a core $[(29)]$ of highly electrically conductive material and an outer structural sheath $[(30)]$ extending substantially the length of the yoke, the anode rod being in electrical contact with the core of the yoke $[(21)]$ and provided with a protective structural collar secured to the outer structural sheath of the yoke $[(21)]$. In order for the electrical and thermal contact between the core $[(29)]$ and sheath $[(30)]$ to be maintained, the differential co-efficient of thermal expansion over the operating temperature range of the assembly is preferably substantially the same or within 4×10^{-6} m/mk.